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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-DW

Michael MacIntosh, President Horizon Christian Fellowship 5331 Mount Alifan Drive San Diego, CA 92111-2622

In re: W300BD McLeansboro, IL

Facility ID No. 150130 Silent Since November 19, 2008 Request For Special Temporary Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. MacIntosh:

This letter concerns your request, filed on April. 23, 2009, on behalf of Horizon Christian Fellowship ("HCF") for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station W300BD to remain silent.

HCF's request states that W300BD went silent on November 19, 2008, pending sale of the station to Withers Broadcasting Company of Missouri, LLC. Your request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

HCF's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit FM Translator Station W300BD to remain silent for a period not to exceed November 19, 2009. Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for W300BD will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. on November 20, 2009. See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).

The station's silent status does not suspend the licensee's obligation to comply with all other relevant Commission rules, including the filing, when appropriate, of applications for renewal of broadcast license. In addition, we note that it is imperative to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be mailed to:

the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed. See 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Finally, the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F. R. Section 73.1740(a)(4), permit licensees to discontinue operations for good cause and for a period not to exceed 30 days without further authority, provided that the licensee notify the Commission by letter "not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day of limited or discontinued operations" and if operations are not able to commence by that time, "informal written request shall be made to the FCC no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> day for such additional time as may be deemed necessary. HCF recognizes that it failed to timely submit a request for an STA to permit W300BD to remain silent beyond December 19, 2008, and the action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between December 19, 2008, and April 23, 2009.

Sincerely.

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Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Harry C. Martin, Esquire